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1. WE HAVE TALKED WITH SOVIET PNE EXPERT TIMERBAYEV, DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF THE MFA INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS DIVISION, ALONG THE LINES OF PARA 5 REFTTEL. WHILE DISCLAIMING TECHNICAL COMPETENCE, TIMERBAYEV NOTED THAT SOME TIME HAD ELAPSED BETWEEN THE 1974 ROSHCHIN STATEMENT AND THE LANGUAGE IN THE ERICSSON PAPER. TIMERBAYEV SAID THAT HE IMAGINED THAT THE SOVIET POSITION WAS NOT DIFFERENT FROM WHAT WAS EXPRESSED IN THE ERICSSON PAPER, BUT HE SAID IT WAS PREMATURE TO SAY WHETHER THIS IS THE POSITION THAT THE SOVIETS WILL TAKE OFFICIALLY AT THE NPT REVIEW CONFERENCE. IF IT IS, TIMERBAYEV ADDED, THEN THE SOVIETS WOULD CERTAINLY BE PREPARED TO PROVIDE PNE SERVICES TO THIRD COUNTRIES SINCE THIS IS REQUIRED BY ARTICLE 5 OF THE NPT.

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2. WHEN WE NOTED THAT IT WOULD BE DESIRABLE FOR THE NUCLEAR

POWERS TO TAKE A COMMON APPROACH TO ARTICLE 5 QUESTIONS AND THAT THIS SHOULD BE A SUBJECT FOR DISCUSSION DURING THE TRILATERAL CONSULTATIONS BEFORE THE CONFERENCE, TIMERBAYEV SAID THAT THIS IS EXACTLY WHY THE SOVIETS HAS WANTED SUCH CONSULTATIONS A MONTH EARLIER RATHER THAN ON THE EVE OF THE CONFERENCE. HE CONFIRMED THAT THE SOVIET VIEW IS THAT ARTICLE 5 QUESTIONS SHOULD DEFINITELY BE DISCUSSED AT THE TIRLATERAL CONSULTATIONS.
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